



SHORE EXCURSIONS

7
nights

STAR FLYER

Leeward Islands – Christmas Cruise | 19 December 2026



Sat	St. Maarten (Philipsburg)
Sun	Nevis (Charlestown)
Mon	Dominica (Cabrits)
Tue	Iles des Saintes (Terre-de-Haut)
Wed	Guadeloupe (Deshaies)
Thu	Antigua (Falmouth Harbour)
Fri	St. Barthélemy (Gustavia)
Sat	St. Maarten (Philipsburg)

What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our excursions are led by local English-speaking guides or driver-guides.
- The length of the tours and time spent on the sites is given as an indication as it may vary depending on weather, sea and traffic conditions and on the group's pace.
- The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.
- Transportation: roads in the islands can be winding and bumpy. Vehicles used (coasters, minibuses, minivans) have generally small seats and limited space and legroom.
- Guests will be required to sign a liability waiver to participate in some activities.

How you can book your shore excursions:

- Shore excursions can be booked on board, using the booking forms (sign-up lists) available at the Excursion Desk.
- The price of the excursion will be added to your on-board account.
- Transfers and debark tours ending at the airport can also be pre-paid prior to your cruise.
- In order to provide the best service and to avoid disappointments, please book your shore excursions as early as possible: places are limited and there is a booking deadline for each port.
- Booking deadlines will be indicated on the Daily Program and on the booking forms.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged.
- A minimum number of participants is required for each tour; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.

Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned in the Daily Program of each port.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. **However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes.** The latest updated tour descriptions are available on board the ship in a file at the Excursion Desk and on Star Clippers' website (you can download the file using the QR code).



Date of last update: 7th of July 2026

NEVIS (Charlestown) - Highlights of Nevis

				<i>Min 8 / Max 40 participants</i>
04:00	65 €	<i>Moderate</i>	<i>Minibus</i>	

Sightseeing

A 5-minute drive takes you to the small Nevis History Museum at Hamilton House, named after one of Nevis' most famous sons, Alexander Hamilton, the first US Secretary of the Treasury. Continue through the picturesque capital of Charlestown to Bath Spring for an explanation of the medical benefits of the natural spring.

Continue to the Fig Tree Church where a copy of Nelson's marriage certificate can be viewed from the vehicle. Enjoy the charm and tranquility of the Nevis countryside as you continue to Montpelier Plantation, set in 12 acres of lush greenery. Originally a sugar plantation, this Relais & Chateaux member offers breathtaking views of Charlestown and St Kitts and is considered one of the finest inns on Nevis.

The hotel retains much of its historic charm. The cannons, cobblestones and copper syrup pots reflect the time when Montpelier was a sugar plantation and home to the Governor of Nevis. The 300-year-old windmill has been transformed into a candlelit dining room and the black and white Georgian outbuildings into offices and a shop. Your driver will take you around the grounds. Guests will be able to view the site but will not be able to tour or walk around it. You will then enjoy a scenic drive through the southern and eastern parts of Nevis, with Nevis Peak always in view with its central position on the island. The eastern coastline borders the Atlantic Ocean, whose deepest blue contrasts with the green vegetation and small banana plantations that dot this part of Nevis.

A short stop will be made at New River Estate, a simple but interesting open-air museum with old machinery used in the production of rum. The next stop is at St Thomas Anglican Church, believed to be the oldest in the eastern Caribbean. From here you will return to Charlestown.

Please note:

✓ The tour is conducted in an air-conditioned minibus with a driver-guide. The driver is also the guide and provides live commentary (in English) along the way. The order of visits is subject to change.

NEVIS (Charlestown) - Rainforest Hike at Nevis Peak

				<i>Min 8 / Max 30 participants</i>
03:00	69 €	<i>Moderate to strenuous</i>	<i>Transfer by minibus, hiking</i>	

Active & Adventure | Outdoors

Wherever you are on Nevis, your gaze is immediately drawn upwards to Nevis Peak. This potentially active volcano in the center of the island rises 3232 feet above sea level and dominates its surroundings. The slopes of the volcano and nearby valleys are covered in lush green rainforest, teeming with life. Discover the flora and fauna of Nevis, including bamboo, tropical fruit trees and green vervet monkeys on our moderately challenging guided hike.

During the short transfer to the Atlantic side of the island, you will see evidence of Nevis' sugar producing past; intensive cultivation depleted the natural fertility of the soil, and the last plantation closed its doors in the mid-20th century. A local naturalist guide will meet you at base camp before you set off on your hike.

The hike begins at the ruins of an old plantation in the parish of St James dating back to the 1650s. Nevis is truly an unspoilt paradise, and the tranquil atmosphere gives a sense of oneness with nature. As you walk under a canopy of lush vegetation, immerse yourself in the rainforest experience and admire the lush gorges and waterfalls that supply the parish of St James with its water supply. Enjoy breathtaking views of the Atlantic Ocean while your guide shares local lore and shows you the plants and foliage used as natural remedies by generations of islanders.

This moderately strenuous hike is the perfect way to explore the rainforest and beautiful interior of the island.

Please note:

✓ The drive from the boat to the trailhead takes approximately twenty minutes each way.

✓ Minimum age to participate is 8 years (minors must be accompanied by an adult).

✓ A local naturalist guide will meet the group at the base camp before setting off on the hike.

✓ You will spend two hours walking, depending on the pace of the group, discovering the flora and fauna of Nevis.

✓ Wear light clothing and comfortable hiking shoes (closed with good grip) and bring a hat, sunscreen and water.

DOMINICA (Cabrits) - The Indian River by rowboat


02:30

55 €

Moderate

*Minibus,
Rowboat*
*Min 8 / Max 40
participants*
Sightseeing | Outdoors

Situated in the center of the town of Portsmouth in northern Dominica, the “Indian River” owes its name to the Kalinago people, formerly known as Carib Indians, who once settled on its upper banks. The river flows from the Morne aux Diaboles mountain range and meanders gently through the lowlands of Portsmouth into the Caribbean Sea. Because it is below sea level, the lower parts of the river are brackish, supporting a unique ecosystem of flora and fauna. Species such as herons, kingfishers, and iguanas are often seen here and many still thrive even after the devastation caused by Hurricane Maria. The surrounding vegetation continues to flourish and regenerate.

Experienced boatmen will row you in traditional wooden boats, moving slowly to let you take in the rich wildlife and lush vegetation along the banks. You will also see filming locations from Pirates of the Caribbean.

Upriver, you will disembark for a short 10-minute stroll through botanical gardens and visit the famous Bush Bar. Try the signature “Dynamite” rum punch - a strong local specialty.

Please note:

✓ Rowboats accommodate up to 8 passengers. The boat ride includes a safety briefing and lasts approximately one hour round-trip.

✓ Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, and water.

✓ The drive between the port and the Indian River is approximately 15 minutes. A driver-guide will accompany you on the drive; river guides will take over for the rowboat tour.

DOMINICA (Cabrits) - Pointe Baptiste Chocolate Factory


03:00

69 €

Moderate

Minibus
*Min 6 / Max 24
participants*

Tasting
Sightseeing | Tasting

Enjoy a scenic tour of the island in air-conditioned comfort as you head towards your destination: the Pointe Baptiste Estate, located near Calibishie Village. This private domain stretches over 25 acres and features a historic guesthouse from the 1930s, a chocolate factory with a cottage above it, and magnificent gardens filled with flowers.

Cocoa is grown and harvested by local producers who follow ecological and sustainable practices. The chocolate factory is a small family business committed to these principles.

Upon arrival, family members will welcome you personally and invite you to explore their estate. You will learn about cocoa cultivation and the chocolate-making process. They will enthusiastically share their knowledge and explain the journey from cocoa bean to chocolate bar.

Discover the unique flavors of their gourmet chocolates: dark chocolate bars ranging from 60%, 80%, 90%, up to 100% pure cocoa beans, infused with ginger, coffee, spices (nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves), chili, lemongrass, tangerine, mint, and more. Each guest will receive a chocolate bar of their choice and may also purchase truffles or cocoa nibs.

The excursion also includes a tour of the estate’s flower garden, one of the most beautiful in Dominica, featuring a wide variety of mature trees, flowers, orchids, and medicinal plants. The air is fragrant with jasmine, ylang-ylang, and frangipani, creating a paradise for birds, butterflies, and nature lovers. After the tour, there will be time to enjoy refreshments before returning to the ship.

Please note:

✓ Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, and water.

✓ The journey between Cabrits and Pointe Baptiste takes approx. 50-60 minutes, on winding and occasionally bumpy roads across the mountains.

DOMINICA (Cabrits) - Syndicate National Park Nature Trail and Falls



04:00



69 €



Strenuous



Transfer by
minibus, hiking

Min 10 / Max 20
participants

Active & Adventure | Outdoors

Your excursion begins with a short, air-conditioned drive through the town of Portsmouth, passing the scenic Indian River, up to Syndicate National Park. This park is nestled at the foot of Dominica's tallest mountain, Morne Diablotin, in the Northern Forest Reserve. A local Forest Guide will join you and lead a comprehensive hike on the Nature Trail, approximately 2000 ft (600 m) above sea level.

During the hike, your guide will narrate details about the flora, fauna, and exotic birdlife within this forest reserve. This reserve is unique as it is the last remaining habitat of the endemic birds - the Sisserou and the Jaco Parrot. The Sisserou has been relocated to an off-island bird sanctuary until the vegetation recovers.

After the hike, you will proceed to Milton Falls (also known as Syndicate Falls), a secluded waterfall surrounded by lush forest. Watch the water plunge powerfully into the natural pool below, where you will have the opportunity to take a refreshing swim. Walk back to Syndicate Café for refreshments before returning to your ship in Cabrits.

Please note:

- ✓ The walk is approximately 1.5 hours at a gentle pace on a relatively easy, flat, and well-signposted route.
- ✓ The Milton Falls trail is a short 15-minute walk with minimal elevation gain but includes 4 river crossings - proper hiking shoes are mandatory. Rainforest terrain can be muddy and slippery.
- ✓ Dress for the weather, wear comfortable hiking shoes (closed shoes with grip), and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water, and water shoes.
- ✓ If you wish to swim at the waterfall, wear a swimsuit under a cover-up and bring a towel.
- ✓ Driving time is approximately 45 minutes each way between Cabrits and Syndicate National Park, with a driver-guide. The hiking guide will join at the National Park.

ÎLES DES SAINTES (Terre-de-Haut) - Speed Boat Tour and Snorkel in Les Saintes Bay



03:00



109 €



Moderate



Speedboat

Min 10 / Max 36
participants

Boating | Snorkeling

Explore the stunning Les Saintes Archipelago from the water on a panoramic guided tour by speedboat. Sail through this picturesque bay, passing landmarks like Ilet Cabrit, Terre de Bas, Ilet Redonde, Grand Ilet, Ilet de la Coche, and the Ilets Les Augustins.

The tour includes a guided snorkeling session in the warm, crystal-clear waters near the "Pain de Sucre".

Please note:

- ✓ This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues, or pregnant women.
- ✓ Snorkeling is optional, but only suitable for experienced swimmers.
- ✓ Minimum age to participate is 8 years (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight: 220 lbs / 100 kg.
- ✓ Wear your swimsuit under your clothes and aqua shoes. Bring a towel, sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat.
- ✓ Snorkeling equipment is provided (mask, snorkel, and snorkel vest, NO fins).

GUADELOUPE (Deshaies) - Botanical Garden and Reimonenq Distillery



03:50



89 €



Moderate



Motorcoach

Min 20 / Max 35
participants



Rum tasting

Sightseeing | Tasting

Meet our local guide at the harbor of the charming fishing village of Deshaies, located on the northwest coast of Basse-Terre. Your tour begins with a short drive to the famous Jardins botaniques de Deshaies, a lush paradise of tropical flora from around the world, located on the outskirts of the village. Stroll along the beautifully landscaped walkways and observe exotic birds such as elegant flamingos, colorful parrots, lorikeets and more. You can also enjoy local snacks and a refreshing drink.

You'll then head to the Reimonenq Distillery, a pillar of the island's rum-making heritage. Discover the age-old traditions of rum-making on a guided tour of the distillery museum, where you'll learn more about the history, techniques and unique characteristics of this world-famous spirit. Finally, treat yourself to a rum tasting and savor the smooth flavors of locally produced rum.

Please note:

- ✓ This tour involves moderate walking (approx. 2 hours) over rough terrain with slopes and a few steps.
- ✓ Wear comfortable shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water.
- ✓ The journey from Deshaies to the distillery takes about 35 minutes.
- ✓ The tour includes transportation, licensed guide, entrance to the botanical garden (17.50 €) with local snacks, entrance to the distillery and rum tasting.

ANTIGUA (Falmouth Harbour) - Kayak adventure and desert Island



04:00



89 €



Active (Sport)



Minibus,
Speedboat, Kayak

Min 6 / Max 16
participants

Active & Adventure | Outdoors

The ideal way to explore the coastal mangrove ecosystem is by kayak. Knowledgeable tour guides will introduce the history and ecology of the mangroves and reefs, home to an astonishing variety of lobster, crabs, fish, and bird life. Board a minivan and drive across the island to the Kayak Adventure land base located at Seaton's Village, on the Northeast coast of Antigua. On arrival at the kayak base, you can change and will be equipped with life jackets (mandatory) and an alert whistle. You will board a 20-foot motorboat for a 15-minute water transfer to the mangrove pontoon where the kayaks are moored. The guides will advise you on safety precautions and kayak handling before the adventure begins. The tour guides will lead you through an easy trail of inlets, tiny uninhabited islands, mangrove alleys, and pretty bays in safe coastal waters. It is a great opportunity for learning about the flora and fauna of the mangroves and spotting tropical birds and teeming marine life.

After the kayak tour, the adventure continues with a 20-minute motorboat ride across the lagoons to Bird Island, one of Antigua's many offshore islands. It is the habitat of turtles, stingrays, starfish, conch, parrotfish, egrets, tropical birds, frigates, and hummingbirds. You may choose either to stay on the island relaxing on the small beach OR take a short boat ride to the reefs and snorkel. Return to the kayak base and then to the port at the end of the tour.

Please note:

- ✓ This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition.
- ✓ Min age is 7 years old; Min height is 4 feet / 122 cm (minors must be accompanied by an adult); Max weight is 250 lbs / 113 kg. Double sit-on-top kayaks will be used.
- ✓ Participants must be good swimmers and will be required to sign a waiver.
- ✓ Wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes, a towel from the ship, and extra dry clothes. Waterproof protection for mobile phones and cameras is highly recommended.
- ✓ There is a 30-minute (unguided) transfer between Falmouth Harbour and the kayak base. Approx. 45 minutes kayaking and approx. one hour at Bird Island (snorkeling) OR at the desert island. The order of activities may change.

ANTIGUA (Falmouth Harbour) - Stingray encounter



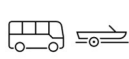
03:00



85 €



Easy



Minibus, Boat

Min 10 / Max 60
participants

Sightseeing | Snorkeling

Board an air-conditioned minibus for a 30-minute scenic drive across the island to the northeast coast and the village of Seaton's, home base for Stingray City. Here you will be greeted by local staff who will brief you on the equipment and give safety tips to ensure a fun interaction with the rays.

Take a boat to the calm crystal-clear waters surrounding the coral reef where the stingrays live. Upon arrival at the enclosure, you will disembark onto a floating platform where your local guide will provide snorkel equipment and give a safety briefing before you enter the water. The warm waters on the sandbar and surrounding reef have an average depth of 4 ft and provide an ideal environment for everyone to meet these amazing creatures.

Your guide will introduce you to the rays, who are incredibly friendly, encouraging them to come to the surface so you can gently touch them and take photos. Stingrays have a barb midway down their long tails, but they only use it defensively if they feel threatened. You may want to feed them a little squid along with your guide. Stingrays do not have teeth but a vacuum-like mouth that sucks up their food. Other local marine life at the stingray enclosure may include crabs, lobster, shellfish, and starfish. Back at the home base, you can enjoy a refreshing rum or fruit punch and browse digital photos of your adventure (available for purchase).

Please note:

- ✓ Participants must be good swimmers. Minors must be accompanied by an adult.
- ✓ Wear a swimsuit under your clothes and soft-soled shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, water shoes, a towel from the ship and water. Snorkeling equipment is provided.
- ✓ There is a 30-minute (unguided) transfer between the port and Stingray City, plus 15-minute transfer by boat between the base and the stingray's place. Stingray City is a popular destination in Antigua and can be crowded.

ANTIGUA (Falmouth Harbour) - Antigua's heritage and views



03:00



69 €



Moderate



Minibus

Min 15 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing

Enjoy an amazing guided tour featuring three key stops to discover Antigua's rich history: Nelson's Dockyard (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), Shirley Heights Lookout, and the ruins of Betty's Hope Sugar Plantation.

Board your air-conditioned minibus for a short drive to English Harbour and Nelson's Dockyard. Built in 1725, Nelson's Dockyard was the base for the English naval squadron patrolling the West Indies.

Follow a local guide on a short, informative walking tour through the Dockyard, exploring beautifully restored Georgian buildings, detailed plaques, and many points of interest. You'll be served a refreshing rum punch or fruit punch, followed by free time to explore the Dockyard's museum, art gallery, gift shop, and boutiques.

Next, take a short drive to Shirley Heights Lookout, a former signal station used to warn of enemy ships approaching. Enjoy a picture-perfect view of Nelson's Dockyard, English Harbour, and the Atlantic Ocean.

Continue through Antigua's countryside to the ruins of Betty's Hope Sugar Plantation, home to the only twin sugar mills in the Eastern Caribbean and renovated sugar trains. This open-air museum is a memorial to the countless African slaves who lived and died there. Sir Christopher Codrington, a member of a wealthy sugar plantation family from Barbados, named the estate "Betty's Hope" after his daughter. Bringing the latest sugar plantation techniques from Barbados, he established one of Antigua's first full-scale plantations with 393 slaves. For over 300 years, the plantation shaped the lives of generations of Antiguans.

Please note:

- ✓ This tour includes moderate walking over uneven surfaces.
- ✓ Driving times: 5 min from the port to Nelson's Dockyard; 10 min from Nelson's Dockyard to Shirley Heights; 25 min from Shirley Heights to Betty's Hope; 30 min from Betty's Hope to the port. The order of visits can change.

ANTIGUA (Falmouth Harbour) - Canopy adventure in Antigua



03:30



89 €



Moderate to
Strenuous



Minibus

Min 4 / Max 20
participants

Active & Adventure

The Antigua Canopy Tour is a unique eco-tour through Antigua's lush rainforest, an unforgettable journey high above the trees. After a 30-minute drive, you will arrive at the Antigua Rainforest Company, where rangers will greet you and give a briefing session to prepare you for the excursion. Then the exhilarating treetop adventure begins.

The tour starts at the Old Pump House with a walk over a suspension bridge spanning a gorge to access the zip lines for your aerial journey. The zip lines range from 52 feet to 328 feet in length, criss-crossing the gorge. The topography means the excursion will mostly be above the treetops, entering and exiting via a "corridor" in the foliage at either end. In total, there are 12 zip lines, 3 aerial walkways, and 2 suspension bridges, offering a wonderful bird's eye view of the flora and fauna and a feeling of total immersion in the forest environment.

There are short treks into the gorge and a series of connecting zip lines criss-crossing the area at canopy level. The gorge is full of fascinating plants and exotic fruit, with a definite tropical feel. The terrain features tall trees and prominent boulders.

Please note:

- ✓ This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition. Participants must sign a waiver. Min height is 4 feet / 122 cm (minors must be accompanied by an adult). Max weight is 235 lbs / 106 kg.
- ✓ Wear comfortable clothing (jeans or bermuda-length shorts recommended), sneakers or sandals (no flip-flops), and shirts with short sleeves (no sleeveless tops). Bring a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen, a change of shirt and water. For guests with long hair, it is suggested to wear it in a ponytail or bun. Lockers are available at the canopy base. Helmet, hairnet, and gloves are provided. No cameras are allowed on the tour, except GoPro that can be attached to a helmet.
- ✓ There is a 40-minute (unguided) transfer between Falmouth Harbour and the canopy base.

SAINT BARTHELEMY (Gustavia) - Sailing the Leeward Coast of St Barts



03:00



139 €



Moderate



Catamaran

Min 12 / Max 18
participants

Boating **IMPORTANT: This excursion has a special booking deadline: 4 days prior arrival in St Barthélemy.**

Step aboard for a relaxing sail along the picturesque leeward coast of Saint Barthélemy, where stunning views and gentle breezes create the perfect setting for a serene experience at sea. As you cruise around the island, admire its rugged coastline, crystal-clear turquoise waters, and secluded coves.

The captain will anchor at Colombier Bay - or another calm, scenic cove - for a swim stop. Take a dip directly from the boat, soak up the sun on the trampoline net, unwind in the shade under the bimini, or simply enjoy the tranquility with a good book in hand. Refreshing drinks will be served on board before you set sail back to Gustavia. After the tour, you will still have time to explore the charming streets, boutiques, or cafés of Gustavia at your leisure.

Please note:

- ✓ This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues, and pregnant women.
- ✓ Minimum age to participate is 12 years (minors must be accompanied by an adult).
- ✓ Swimming during the stop is optional, but only suitable for experienced swimmers. Swimming is at your own risk.
- ✓ The use of snorkeling equipment is not allowed during the swim stop.
- ✓ Wear a swimsuit under a cover-up and bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and a towel from the ship.
- ✓ The itinerary and tour sequence may be changed at the captain's discretion depending on weather conditions.

SINT MAARTEN (Philipsburg) – Two nations, one island (ending at SXM airport)



4:00



69 €



Easy



Motorcoach

Min 10 / Max 30
participants

Lunch is
not included

Panoramic | Airport transfer

This excursion ends at SXM airport at approx. 12:30 and is suitable for guests with flight after 15:00.

Discover one of the Caribbean's most unique destinations - Sint Maarten, an island shared by two nations since 1648. Though there is no physical border, the Dutch and French sides each retain their own distinct character and charm. The Dutch side (Sint Maarten) radiates a vibrant Caribbean energy with colorful buildings, lively culture, and tropical flair. As a duty-free destination, it's also a shopper's paradise. In contrast, the French side (Saint Martin) is serene and elegant, boasting pristine white-sand beaches, fine French cuisine, and sophisticated resorts.

From the cruise port, you will be taken to nearby Philipsburg, the capital of Dutch Sint Maarten, where you will have approximately one hour of free time. Enjoy shopping along the renowned Front Street, or take a relaxing stroll on the beachfront boardwalk, overlooking the turquoise waters of Great Bay.

Next, begin a scenic drive past historic salt ponds and through Oyster Pond town, where you'll cross into the French territory. Along the way, stop at the picturesque Coralita Lookout Point, offering stunning views - and on clear days, a glimpse of nearby St. Barth. The route then takes you through Orient Bay and the town of Grand Case, before arriving in Marigot, the capital of French Saint Martin. Here, you will enjoy approximately 45 minutes of free time to shop for souvenirs, browse local markets, or simply relax with a coffee in a classic French café.

After soaking in the ambiance of the French capital, you will return to the Dutch side, crossing the scenic Simpson Bay Lagoon, and arrive at Princess Juliana International Airport at approximately 12:30 PM, for your onward travel.

Please note:

- ✓ Airlines require guests on international flights to arrive at the airport 2:30 prior to flight departure.
- ✓ Lunch is not included in the tour. Food and beverage available at the departure hall of the airport.
- ✓ Guests will have approximately 1 hour of free time in Philipsburg and 45 minutes of free time in Marigot.
- ✓ Estimated driving times: port – Philipsburg: 10 min; Philipsburg – Marigot: 1:15 between; Marigot - airport: 40 min.

SINT MAARTEN (Philipsburg)

Star Clippers also offers the following transfer services (optional, at an additional cost):

- Shared Transfer to Princess Juliana Intl. Airport (SXM).

- ✓ There is a fixed departure from the port at approximately 09:00 (arrival at the airport at around 09:30).
- ✓ This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight departs after 12:00.

- Shared Transfer to Holland House Beach Hotel in Philipsburg.

- ✓ There is a fixed departure from the port at approximately 09:30 (arrival at the hotel at around 09:30).

- Private transfers to Princess Juliana Intl. Airport or to hotels.

- ✓ Private transfers can be arranged from the pier to any hotel on the island, regardless of location.
- ✓ Pick up from the pier for private transfers is no later than 10:00.

- Private transfers from hotels to the airport.

- ✓ Private transfers can be arranged from any hotel on the island, regardless of location.
- ✓ This service can only be pre-booked prior to your cruise and cannot be booked onboard.

Transfers and excursions ending at the airport can also be booked prior to your cruise.

Bookings made onboard during the cruise are always subject to availability.

If you wish to book a private transfer, we recommend that you book well in advance prior to your cruise, as the number of vehicles may be limited at certain times of the year.

For information and reservations please contact our reservations department or your travel agent.

The ship will be alongside at St Maarten Cruise terminal (1.5 from Philipsburg, on the Dutch side of the island). SXM airport is located 12 km from the Cruise Terminal (approx. 30 minutes drive).

All guests are requested to leave the ship by 10:00am. There is no left-luggage service at the cruise terminal.



EXCURSIONS ACTIVITY LEVEL:

- ✓ **Easy:** excursion accessible to all participants, as it mainly takes place by bus or boat. Any footpaths and stairs that need to be negotiated are short or easy.
- ✓ **Moderate:** a certain basic level of fitness is required; excursion involving moderate walking - sometimes over uneven or unpaved paths and stairs.
- ✓ **Moderate to strenuous:** active participation is required; excursion involving walking long distances over uneven or steep terrain. May involve several flights of stairs or extended staircases.
- ✓ **Strenuous:** a good level of fitness is required; an excursion involving extensive uphill walking on inclines, uneven terrain with many steps. Excursion involving off-road driving, not suitable for pregnant women or anyone with a medical condition (back, neck, etc.) that could be affected by bumpy roads.
- ✓ **Active (sport):** Very good physical condition, stamina and skill are required. Passengers should be fit and active to participate in tours involving hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, cycling or similar activities.

The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.

MAIN EXCURSIONS CATEGORIES (CARIBBEAN & CENTRAL AMERICA)

- ✓ **Sightseeing:** it gives a quick but enriching overview, visiting and seeing the main attractions, landmarks and places of interest in a particular area, often including popular spots and sometimes hidden gems.
- ✓ **Panoramic:** it involves a limited number of long drives with commentary by the guide, no internal visits and - generally - limited walking between stops.
- ✓ **Active & Adventure:** Hiking, kayaking, Zip line, 4x4 off-road.
- ✓ **Outdoors:** Activities like hiking that let you explore the natural beauty of the region.
- ✓ **Wildlife:** Get up close to the region's fauna and learn about them in their natural habitats.
- ✓ **Snorkeling:** Guests participating in the snorkeling must be experienced swimmers. Itinerary and snorkel sites are subject to change due to sea and weather conditions. Check in the tour description to see if the snorkeling equipment is provided or if you must bring the equipment from the ship.
- ✓ **Boating:** Experience the destination from the water, whether it's sailing, cruising, or other maritime activities.

WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING WHEN GOING ASHORE ON EXCURSION:

- ✓ Unless special clothing suggestions are included in the excursion description, we recommend functional clothing and comfortable footwear.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes to help with any steep paths and uneven cobbles.
- ✓ A hat or cap, sun lotion, insect repellent, water.
- ✓ For boat excursions or excursions including beach stop: swimsuit, beach towel, sunglasses, sunscreen, water shoes, snorkel mask.
- ✓ Mobile phone or camera to capture the moment (with waterproof cover for water activities and boat tours).
- ✓ Ship card to get back on board.
- ✓ Some cash (US \$ is widely accepted in Caribbean, bring Euros for French islands).
- ✓ A copy of the Daily Program, to check last tender or last gangway time, tender schedule, lunch time, etc.
- ✓ For ports with tender service (ship at anchor), bring a backpack or fanny pack so that your hands are free to hold on to the safety grip when boarding the tender.